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**CR-103E EMERGENCY RULE-MAKING – EXTENDING TIMELINES FOR COMPLETING  
CERTAIN RESIDENT ASSESSMENTS**

Dear Provider/Administrator:

The department has filed emergency rules ([WSR 22-06-042](#)) on February 24, 2022, to extend the timelines in WACs 388-76-10350, 388-78A-2100, and 388-107-0080 for completing ongoing assessments for residents whose care is state funded. On January 18, the department sent [a letter](#) to notify providers that Home and Community Services (HCS) will extend some Medicaid clients' annual residential CARE reassessments for up to one year. The emergency rules also allow these assessments to be extended for up to one year, starting on January 18. Emergency rules are effective for 120 days unless repealed, or the department may file an extension as needed. At this time, these rules are scheduled to expire on June 24, 2022.

Assessments are still required when there is a significant change to a resident's condition, and HCS continues to conduct those assessments. Negotiated care plans or negotiated service agreements must continue to be updated as needed according to the schedules in:

- Adult family homes: WAC 388-76-10380;
- Assisted living facilities: WAC 388-78A-2150;
- Enhanced services facilities: WAC 388-107-0130.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident/client health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact the Policy Unit at [RCSPolicy@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:RCSPolicy@dshs.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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